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In re the Application of:

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For: PASSWSWORD INPUT TABLE CREATING METHOD AND APPARATUS AND
PROGRAM THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~.

Please REPLACE paragraph [0001], beginning at page 1, line 1, with the following paragraph:

[0001] This application is a related application with of a co-pending application, U.S. patent application Serial No. 10/677,277, filed October 3, 2003, which claims the priorities based from on Japanese Patent Applications No. 2849/2003 and No. 86864/2003, and will be is commonly assigned to the same assignor of this assignee as the related application, and which related and priority applications noted above are is incorporate incorporated herein by reference.